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SUBJECT: PLO DECLINES TO REPLY TO LEBANESE GENERAL DEBATE  
STATEMENT

1. GA PRESIDENT AMERASINGHE AT END OF HIS OWN STATEMENT, TAKING NOTE OF CONCLUSION OF GENERAL DEBATE OCT 14, MADE VERY BRIEF STATEMENT CONCERNING PLO. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED, ON BEHALF OF THE PLO OBSERVER, TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR THE CONCERN AND SUPPORT EXPRESSED BY OTHER DELEGATIONS DURING THE GENERAL DEBATE AND TO CONVEY HIS (THE OBSERVER'S) DECISION TO USE THE GOOD OFFICES OF THE ARAB LEAGUE TO SETTLE INTER-ARAB PROBLEMS AND DISPUTES.

2. THIS STATEMENT WAS RESULT OF EFFORTS DESIGNED TO PRECLUDE PLO REPLY TO LEBANESE AMBASSADOR GHORRA'S STATEMENT EARLIER IN AFTERNOON. IT WAS THE PRODUCT OF CONSIDERABLE BEHIND-THE-SCENES ACTIVITY: THREE SEPARATE MEETINGS BETWEEN AMERASHINGHE AND PLO OBSERVER TERZI, TWO MEETINGS BETWEEN USYG BUFFUM AND AMBASSADOR GHORRA AND A TIMELY AND KEY REQUEST FROM GOVERNOR SCRANTON TO GHORRA TO REPHRASE SEVERAL DIRECT REFERENCES TO PLO IN TEXT OF SPEECH.  
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